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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b); and
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Respectfully submitted,

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